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**ROUTE 671 OPEN OVER NOTTOWAY RIVER AS BRIDGE REPLACEMENT
PROJECT REACHES MILESTONE**
Detour had been in place since Jan. 4

SOUTHAMPTON COUNTY – Today, contractor crews with the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) temporarily reopened Route 671 (General Thomas Highway) between Shady Brook Trail and Buckhorn Drive following the construction completion of the overflow bridge over the Nottoway River. This is the first of two bridges being replaced as part of the overall Route 671 Bridge Replacement Project. The road is being temporarily opened through the end of the year to help facilitate seasonal, local agricultural access and transportation, which are vital to Southampton County's local economy.

A second closure in this same location on Route 671 is expected to be in place again starting in winter 2022 and estimated to last through fall 2022 to allow for the replacement of the remaining Nottoway River Bridge.

Overall, this project consists of the replacement of the two existing bridges over the Nottoway River with two new bridges that will meet current design standards. Once completed, the roadway will carry two 12-foot lanes and 9-foot shoulders. The project also includes roadway improvements to the bridge approaches and new stormwater management facilities. The bridge replacement project is estimated to be complete in fall 2022. All construction work is dependent upon weather conditions.

To learn more about this project, visit

https://www.virginiadot.org/projects/hamptonroads/route_671_general_thomas_highway_over_nottoway_river_bridge_replacement.asp.

Motorists are encouraged to visit www.511virginia.org, or download VDOT's free 511 Virginia mobile app for current traffic and travel information.



Route 671 (General Thomas Highway) opened temporarily in both directions between Shady Brook Trail and Buckhorn Drive on Sept. 29.

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